

House Resolution 1251

By: Representatives Thomas of the 55th, Holmes of the 61st, Abdul-Salaam of the 74th, Jordan of the 77th, and Beasley-Teague of the 65th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Pastor Jermaine Dawson; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Pastor Jermaine Dawson, founder and pastor of Fountain of Faith Christian
3 Center, has devoted his life to serving God and his fellow man; and

4 WHEREAS, licensed to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ in April 1995, Pastor Dawson
5 received his bachelor's degree in sociology and religion from Morehouse College and his
6 master's degree in educational leadership from Kennesaw State University; and

7 WHEREAS, outside of the ministry, Pastor Dawson has excelled as an educator, and he
8 currently teaches mathematics at Beecher Hills Elementary School and serves as a consultant
9 with the United States Department of Education; and

10 WHEREAS, Pastor Dawson is a highly active leader in his community, as demonstrated by
11 his current service on the Board of Directors for the Pittsburgh Community Improvement
12 Association, the Pittsburgh Ministerial Alliance, and Covenant Men's Ministry, and by his
13 past service on the Mayor's Youth Task Force and the Atlanta Olympic Committee Dream
14 Team, among many other positions; and

15 WHEREAS, respected by all who know him, Pastor Dawson's achievements and service to
16 his community have earned him numerous accolades, including the "Atlanta's Young Man
17 of the Year" Award and the Concerned Black Clergy's "Young Man of the Year" Award,
18 among many other honors; and

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20 WHEREAS, on February 6, 2000, Pastor Dawson founded Fountain of Faith, where he
21 strives to tackle the ills plaguing the neighborhoods around this church through efforts such
22 as the Narcotics Recovery Ministry and the Angel Food Ministry, and he continues to

1 develop plans to aid his community through projects such as the Re-Entry Ministry for
2 ex-offenders, after school programs, and the Fountain of Learning Academy.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body join in commending Pastor Jermaine Dawson for his continued
5 service to his community and thank him for his many invaluable contributions to Georgia.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Jermaine Dawson.